

REMARKS

Claims 1-48 were pending. Claims 15 and 32 were amended. Therefore, claims 1-48 will be pending upon entry of the instant amendment.

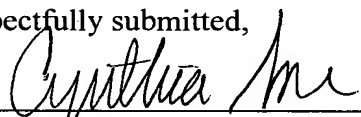
No new matter has been added. Claims 15 and 32 were amended to clarify the invention.

SUMMARY

The amendments to the claims are being made solely to expedite prosecution of the above-identified application. Applicants reserve the option to further prosecute the same or similar claims in the present or another patent application. The amendments made to the claims are not related to any issues of patentability.

In view of the above remarks and amendments, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance. If a telephone conversation with Applicants' Attorney would expedite prosecution of the above-identified application, the Examiner is urged to call the undersigned at (617) 227-7400.

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